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	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7½	5¼ to 5½ seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	19	9½ to 10

Agricultural operations.—Ragi under harvest.

State of standing crops are withering for want of rain.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

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8. Market well supplied for the present.

9. *Standing crops.*—Standing wet and dry crops have been withering for want of rain throughout the district. Sugar-cane in the Kankanhalli Taluk and punaji paddy in the Magadi Taluk have been reported to be fading. Ragi and paddy in portions of the Madhure and Dodbelavangala Hoblies of the Dodballapur Taluk are reported to have completely dried up.

Crops harvested.—Early sown ragi in all the taluks, and same in the Hoskote Taluk and kulthi in the Nelamangala Taluk are being harvested.

Probable outturn of harvests.—Ragi reported to be from 1 to 6 annas in some parts and from 4 to 12 annas in other parts of the Nelamangala Taluk; from 2 to 8 annas in the Hoskote Taluk and from 6 to 12 annas in the Anekal Taluk and the Closepet Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are not very encouraging. Rainfall is insufficient throughout the district. Supply of foods sufficient for the present, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Public health generally good. But in some parts of the Magadi Taluk, people are reported to be suffering from fever and cold.

12. Cattle generally healthy for the present. But "Dod Roga" is still prevalent in the Kote Koppa village of the Kankanhalli Taluk. Fodder is available for the present though insufficiently in the Channapatna, Magadi, Nelamangala, Dodballapur and Devanhalli Taluks and the Closepet Sub-Taluk. In some parts of the Madhure Hobli, Dodballapur Taluk, cattle are reported to having been fed on standing crops, which became dried up. And in some parts of the Channapatna and Magadi Taluks, they are reported to being fed on green leaves.

KOLAR.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops* are reported to be withering throughout the district.

Crop sown.—Cholum in parts of Sidlaghatta and Goribidnur

Crops harvested.—Same in Chintamani, Mulbagal, Chikballapur, Bagepalli, Goribidnur and Srinivaspur; sugar-cane in Goribidnur (under Kapilays) and Bagepalli; and ragi in almost all the taluks of the district.

Outturn of harvests.—

Same—In Chintamani, yield 1 anna.
In Mulbagal, do 4 ,,
In Chikballapur, yield from 4 to 8 annas.
In Bagepalli, do 2 to 6 ,,
In Goribidnur, do 2 to 3 ,,
In Srinivaspur, yield 4 annas.

Sugar-cane—In Goribidnur, yield from 8 to 12 annas.
In Bagepalli, yield 12 annas.

Ragi, yield from 4 to 6 annas on the average.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Rain is very badly needed throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to be very high.

11. Except for cholera in the Mudavatti village of the Kolar Taluk and a suspicious case of cholera in Malur town and small-pox in parts of Mulbagal, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that Rinderpest is still prevailing in parts of Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli and Goribidnur. Water and fodder just sufficient.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market moderate.

9. *Standing dry crops,* are reported to have withered away in the Taluks of Tumkur, Maddagiri Chiknayakanhalli, Tiptur and Kunigal and also in the Koratagere Sub-Taluk. In other taluks, they are withering. Wet crops under wells in the Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks are in good condition.

Crops sown.—Bengal gram and cholum in the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli, Sira, Gubbi and Pavagada Taluks. Wheat in the Maddagiri and Pavagada Taluks. Paddy in the Sira and Pavagada Taluks; and Bengal gram in the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Ragi in all the taluks except Pavagada and Kunigal; paddy in the Gubbi Taluk and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Castor in the Chiknayakanhalli and Gubbi Taluks; cotton, til, and horse gram in the Pavagada Taluk; sugarcane in the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk; navane, haraka, save, Ajje and Saragu were harvested in certain parts of the Maddagiri, Sira, Gubbi, Tiptur and Pavagada Taluks.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food-grains are available for the present, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for small-pox in certain villages of the Chiknayakanhalli and Maddagiri Taluks, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" still prevails among cattle in the Tumkur and Tiptur Taluks. By the recent harvest of ragi, fodder is procurable in limited quantities in all the taluks, except portions of the Tumkur and Kunigal Taluks and Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Water scarcity is being felt in several villages of the Tumkur, Tiptur and Pavagada Taluks. Date leaves and leaves of trees are being used as fodder in the Taluks of Chiknayakanhalli and Tiptur and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk. Some cattle in the Kunigal Taluk are reported to have been taken to the Shimoga and Magadi Taluks for grazing purposes. Similarly, some raiyats in the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk have also taken their cattle to Coorg, Chikmagalur, Heggaddevankote and the Nilgiris.

MYSORE.

8. The weekly markets in all the taluks are reported to have been fairly well supplied with grain during the week.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in parts of the Gundlupet Taluk are being ploughed and made ready for sowing kar seeds.

Standing crops, and wet crops under tanks are reported to be withering for want of rain. Wet crops under river channels are generally in good condition.

Crops harvested.—Ragi and chillies in parts of Mysore; ragi in parts of Mandya and Chamrajnagar; paddy in parts of Seringapatam and Yedatore; horse gram, green gram and Bengal gram in parts of Gundlupet; ragi and togari in parts of T.-Narsipur; and ragi and same in parts of Malvalli.

Estimated outturn of crops:—

Seringapatam—Harvested paddy, yield 8 annas.
Do ragi, yield from 4 to 6 annas.
Gundlupet—Horse gram, green gram and Bengal gram, yield 2 annas.
Malvalli—Ragi and same, yield 8 annas.
Mandya—Ragi, yield from 4 to 6 annas.
Krishnarajpete—Paddy, yield 8 annas. Ragi, yield 4 annas. Horse gram, yield 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season "indifferent" in certain parts and not good in others. The standing dry crops are in urgent need of rain in all parts of the district. Food grains are available with raiyats and merchants, but their prices are still high.

11. Except for plague in a few places, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are reported to be suffering from "Dod Roga" in parts of Mysore and Gundlupet and from "Chappe Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Yedatore and Malvalli Taluks. Fodder scarce in the Krishnarajpete and Nagamangala Taluks. In other parts, it is available for the present, tanks are gradually getting dry. Water is available at present for men and cattle, except in the Nagamangala Taluk.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Paddy, sugar-cane, togari and avare in the Hassan Taluk; avare, kulthi, togari, castor, same and haraka in the Channarayapatna Taluk; ragi, avare, kulthi, etc., in the Arsikere Taluk; and the cereal crops in the Alur Sub-Taluk; all these are reported to be in need of rain. Paddy in the Manjarabad, Arkalgud, Belur and Hole-Narsipur Taluks and also in the Alur Sub-Taluk; black gram, avare, castor, togari, etc., in the Arkalgud, Belur and Hole-Narsipur Taluks all these are reported to be in fair condition.

Crops sown.—Bengal gram and jola in the Channarayapatna Taluk and Bengal gram in the Hassan and Arsikere Taluks are sown in beds of tanks in which there is no water.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in the Hassan, Manjarabad, Belur and Arkalgud Taluks; Dod ragi in parts of Arsikere, Channarayapatna and Hole-Narsipur. The estimated yield of paddy in the Manjarabad Taluk is from 8 to 12 annas and in Belur from 8 to 10 annas.

10. Prospects of the season generally fair, but more rain is required throughout the district, more especially in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks.

11. Except for plague in parts of the Hassan, Belur and Arsikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle are generally in fair condition. "Dod Roga" is prevalent in the Manjarabad and Arkalgud Taluks. It is reported to be subsiding in the Hassan Taluk. Pasture and fodder are generally available. In parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, where grass is not sufficiently grown, dug-up grass and jola stalks are being used. It is reported that many cart-loads of paddy and ragi straw are brought from the Hassan Taluk and sold in the Arsikere Town. It is also reported that some people from the Kunigal and other maidan taluks have come with a number of cattle for grazing purposes in the Manjarabad Taluk, 800 head of cattle from the Arsikere and Channarayapatna, Tiptur, Gubbi and Kunigal Taluks are reported to have been brought for grazing in the kavals of the Belur Taluk. Difficulty for water is felt in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks and steps are being taken to sink new wells and deepen old ones, where necessary.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market supplied in moderate quantities.

9. *Standing crops, viz.*, Sugar-cane, wheat, Bengal gram Yannaigar, jola, cotton and avare are in pretty fair condition for the present, in the Shimoga, Honnali, Nagar and Tirthahalli Taluks; whereas in the Channagiri and Sagar Taluks they are withering for want of rain. The dry crops failed in the Sorab Taluk and in portions of the Shimoga, Channagiri, Honnali, Sagar and Nagar Taluks.

Probable outturn of crops.—

Sorab Taluk—Paddy, yield 10 annas.
Ragi, do 2 „
Horse-gram, yield 4 annas.
Jola do
Sugar-cane, yield from 10 to 12 annas.
Arecanut, yield 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season are not so fair as in previous years, as there was untimely rainfall in all the Taluks except Tirthahalli. Food stuffs are available but their prices are rising.

11. Public health generally good. Plague is subsiding in the Shimoga Town.

12. Cattle are generally healthy. But Murrain is still prevailing in portions of the Honnali, Shikarpur and Sorab Taluks. Water and fodder are available for the present except in portions of Channagiri and Sorab Taluks where want of water is being felt.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops*:—

In Chikmagalur—Paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, avare, gingelly, kulthi, coriander, jola, wheat, castor and coffee.

In Kadur—Paddy, jola, wheat, Bengal gram, ragi, avare, sugar-cane, chillies, castor, and togari.

In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi, kulthi, avare, jola, togari, navane, baragu, coriander, gingelly, sugar-cane, green gram and black gram.
In Koppa—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca, pepper, cardamom and coffee.
In Mudgere—Paddy, ragi, cardamom, sugar-cane and coffee.
In Yedahalli—Paddy, sugar-cane, areca and coffee.
In Sringeri—Paddy and areca.
Dry crops are reported to be withering for want of rain. Wet crops also need more rain.

Crop sown.—Bengal gram was sown in parts of the Tarikere Taluk, during the week

Crops harvested and their yield:—
In Chikmagalur—Paddy yield 4 annas, and ragi yield from 2 to 4 annas.
In Kadur—Sugar-cane yield 8 annas, ragi and chillies yield from 2 to 4 annas.
In Tarikere—Paddy, ragi and jola and chillies yield not given.
In Koppa—Areca and coffee yield 8 annas.
In Mudgere—Paddy yield 8 annas, and coffee yield 12 annas.
In Yedahalli—Paddy yield from 4 to 6 annas, and areca yield from 8 to 10 annas.
In Sringeri—Paddy and areca yield not given.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Rain is very badly needed throughout the district and especially in the maidan parts to save the situation. Supply of food stuffs sufficient for the present, but their prices continue to run high in the markets.

11. Except for plague in certain villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. But "Dod Roga" still prevails in certain parts of the district. Water and fodder are getting scanty, especially in the maidan taluks of the district. Date leaves are still being used as fodder for cattle in certain villages of the Kadur Taluk and they have been taken from that taluk to the malnad parts for grazing purposes.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops*, such as ragi, jola, horse-gram, togari, avare, navane, castor, paddy, sugar-cane, Bengal-gram, cotton and gingelly are reported to be withering for want of rain in the district excepting those under *kapile* wells and channels, which are in fairly good condition.

Crops sown.—Bengal-gram.

Crops harvested.—Ragi and navane in the Chitaldrug, Challakere and Holalkere Taluks, yield from 2 to 12 annas; ragi in parts of the Hiriyur Taluk, yield 12 annas; jola in the Chitaldrug, Holalkere Taluks, and the Harihar Sub-Taluk, yield from 2 to 10 annas; paddy in the Chitaldrug and Holalkere Taluks, yield from 4 to 8 annas; same and sajje in the Challakere Taluk, yield from 2 to 8 annas; sugar-cane in the Chitaldrug Taluk, yield from 4 to 8 annas; chillies in the Davangere Taluk and the Harihar Sub-Taluk, yield from 4 to 8 annas; cotton gingelly and Bengal-gram in the Harihar Sub-Taluk, yield from 4 to 10 annas. Rain is urgently required for the standing crops throughout the district.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Hiriyur, Challakere and Hosdurga Taluks. Food stuffs available.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Holalkere Taluk, where "Rinderpest" prevails. Water and fodder available, except in parts of the Hosdurga, Hiriyur and Challakere Taluks.

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